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Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related applications in the above-identified patent application:

Serial/Patent No. 10/298,036	Filing Date/Issue Date November 15, 2002	Attorney Docket 1639.001US1	Title INTEREST BEARING GIFT CARD AND RELATED METHODS AND SYSTEMS
11/085,388	March 21, 2005	1639.004US1	BENEFITS CARD MECHANISMS
11/124,915	May 9, 2005	1639.001US2	INTEREST BEARING GIFT CARD MECHANISMS

Continuations and divisionals may be later filed on the cases listed above, or cited to the Examiner in any previous Communication Concerning Related Applications. Applicants request that the Examiner review all continuations and divisionals of the above-listed or previously-cited patent applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 et. seq., the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicant with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. However, if an Office Action on the merits has been mailed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in order to have this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement considered.

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